

Comparative Example 7

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a While the same procedures as carried out in example 1 were repeated, the amount of zinc stearate was changed to 1.2 wt% and the amount of PEG400 was changed to 0.6 wt%. A resin composition for cleaning molds was obtained.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2, 10-15, and 24-26 as follows:

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1. (Amended) An amino resin composition for cleaning molds, comprising 30 to 60 wt. % of thermosetting resin which consists of 40 to 70 wt. % of at least one methylol-containing amino resin having at least 75 wt. % of solid content. 112, first, 2nd

2. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 1, wherein said amino resin is selected from the group consisting of urea, amino compounds of melamine, formaldehyde and the derivatives thereof.

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10. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 1, wherein curing time of the amino resin composition for cleaning molds is in the range of 450 to 750 seconds, measured by using JSR type of curing meter.

11. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 1, which is made into a tablet form.

12. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 1, which is made into a sheet form.

13. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 1, which is made into a powder form.

14. (Amended) An amino resin composition for cleaning molds, comprising 30 to 60 wt. % of thermosetting resin which consists of 40 to 70 wt. % of a semi-cured additive of at least one methylol-containing amino resin having at least 75 wt. % of solid content.

15. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 14, wherein said amino resin is selected from the group consisting of urea, amino compounds of melamine, formaldehyde and the derivatives thereof.

24. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 14, which is made into a tablet form.

25. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 14, which is made into a sheet form.

26. (Amended) The amino resin composition for cleaning molds according to claim 14, which is made into a powder form.

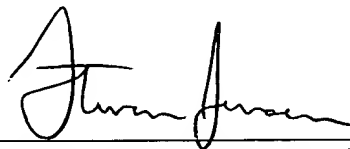
REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 10-15, and 24-26 have been amended. The specification has been amended to correct grammatical and typographical errors. No new matter is presented by virtue of this Amendment.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment prior to examination.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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